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Sir

In response to the Office Action mailed September 3, 2008, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A Request for Continued Examination and a petition for a one-month extension of time are submitted herewith.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing which begins on page 3 of this paper.

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